

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Previously Presented) A semiconductor device comprising a TFT containing an active layer having a channel forming region being formed over a substrate,

wherein a portion of the channel forming region is convexed or concaved in a channel width direction, said channel width direction being parallel to a plane of the substrate.

2. (Previously Presented) A semiconductor device comprising a TFT containing an active layer having a channel forming region formed over a substrate ,

wherein a portion of the channel forming region is convexed or concaved in a channel width direction, said channel width direction being parallel to a plane of the substrate, and
wherein zero or one grain boundary is contained in the channel forming region.

3. (Previously Presented) A semiconductor device comprising a TFT containing an active layer having a channel forming region formed over a substrate,

wherein a portion of the channel forming region is convexed or concaved in a channel width direction, said channel width direction being parallel to a plane of the substrate, and

wherein the number of grain boundaries crossing the channel forming region in the width direction of the channel is zero or one.

4. (Withdrawn) A method of manufacturing a semiconductor device, comprising the steps of:

forming a semiconductor film over a substrate;

forming a crystalline semiconductor film by irradiating a laser light to said semiconductor film;

forming a convex portion or a concave portion in a region which is a portion of said crystalline semiconductor film and which later contains a channel forming region; and

irradiating the laser light to said crystalline semiconductor film in which the convex portion or the concave portion is formed.

5. (Withdrawn) A method of manufacturing a semiconductor device, comprising the steps of:

- forming a semiconductor film over a substrate;
- forming a crystalline semiconductor film by irradiating a laser light to said semiconductor film;
- forming a convex portion or a concave portion in a region which is a portion of said crystalline semiconductor film and which later contains a channel forming region; and
- irradiating the laser light to the top surface and to the bottom surface of said crystalline semiconductor film in which the convex portion or the concave portion is formed.

6. (Withdrawn) A method of manufacturing a semiconductor device, comprising the steps of:

- forming a semiconductor film over a substrate;
- forming semiconductor islands by patterning said semiconductor film, each of said semiconductor island having a convex portion or a concave portion in a region which later contains a channel forming region, and
- crystallizing said semiconductor islands by irradiating a laser light.

7. (Withdrawn) A method of manufacturing a semiconductor device, comprising the steps of:

- forming a semiconductor film over a substrate;
- forming semiconductor islands by patterning said semiconductor film, each of said semiconductor island having a convex portion or a concave portion in a region which later contains a channel forming region, and
- crystallizing said semiconductor islands by irradiating a laser light to the top surface and to the bottom surface thereof.

8. (Withdrawn) The method of manufacturing a semiconductor device according to claim 5, wherein a relationship of $0 < (I_0' / I_0) < 1$, or a relationship of $1 < (I_0' / I_0)$, exists between the effective energy strength of the laser light irradiated on the top surface of said semiconductor film (I_0) and the effective energy strength of the laser light irradiated on the bottom surface of said semiconductor film (I_0').

9. (Withdrawn) The method of manufacturing a semiconductor device according to claim 7, wherein a relationship of $0 < (I_0' / I_0) < 1$, or a relationship of $1 < (I_0' / I_0)$, exists between the effective energy strength of the laser light irradiated on the top surface of said semiconductor island (I_0') and the effective energy strength of the laser light irradiated on the bottom surface of said semiconductor island (I_0).

10. (Previously Presented) A semiconductor device according to any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein said semiconductor device is incorporated into an electronic device selected from the group consisting of a personal computer, a projector, a digital camera, a video camera, a head mounted display, a portable information terminal, a navigation system, a game machine, an image playback machine and a music playback machine.

11. (Previously Presented) A semiconductor device comprising:
a semiconductor layer formed over a substrate; and
a channel forming region and source and drain regions formed in said semiconductor layer,
wherein a portion of said channel forming region is convexed in a direction perpendicular to a channel length direction and parallel to a plane of the substrate.

12. (Previously Presented) A semiconductor device comprising:
a semiconductor layer formed over a substrate; and
a channel forming region and source and drain regions formed in said semiconductor layer,
wherein a portion of said channel forming region is concaved in a direction perpendicular to a channel length direction and parallel to a plane of the substrate.

13. (Previously Presented) A semiconductor device comprising:
a semiconductor layer formed over a substrate; and
a channel forming region and source and drain regions formed in said semiconductor layer,

wherein a portion of said channel forming region is convexed in a channel width direction, said channel width direction being parallel to a plane of the substrate.

14. (Previously Presented) A semiconductor device comprising:
a semiconductor layer formed over a substrate; and
a channel forming region and source and drain regions formed in said semiconductor layer,

wherein a portion of said channel forming region is concaved in a channel width direction, said channel width direction being parallel to a plane of the substrate.

15. (Previously Presented) A semiconductor device comprising:
a semiconductor layer formed over a substrate; and
a channel forming region and source and drain regions formed in said semiconductor layer,

wherein a portion of said channel forming region is convexed in a direction perpendicular to a carrier flow direction and parallel to a plane of the substrate.

16. (Previously Presented) A semiconductor device comprising:
a semiconductor layer formed over a substrate;
a channel forming region and source and drain regions formed in said semiconductor layer; and

wherein a portion of said channel forming region is concaved in a direction perpendicular to a carrier flow direction and parallel to a plane of the substrate.

17. (Previously Presented) A semiconductor device according to any one of claims 11-16, wherein said semiconductor device is incorporated into an electronic device selected from the group consisting of a personal computer, a projector, a digital camera, a video camera, a head mounted display, a portable information terminal, a navigation system, a game machine, an image playback machine and a music playback machine.

18. (New) A semiconductor device according to claim 1, wherein said channel width direction is perpendicular to a carrier flow direction.

19. (New) A semiconductor device according to claim 2, wherein said channel width direction is perpendicular to a carrier flow direction.

20. (New) A semiconductor device according to claim 3, wherein said channel width direction is perpendicular to a carrier flow direction.

21. (New) A semiconductor device according to claim 11, wherein said channel length direction is parallel to a carrier flow direction.

22. (New) A semiconductor device according to claim 12, wherein said channel length direction is parallel to a carrier flow direction.

23. (New) A semiconductor device according to claim 13, wherein said channel width direction is perpendicular to a carrier flow direction.

24. (New) A semiconductor device according to claim 14, wherein said channel width direction is perpendicular to a carrier flow direction.